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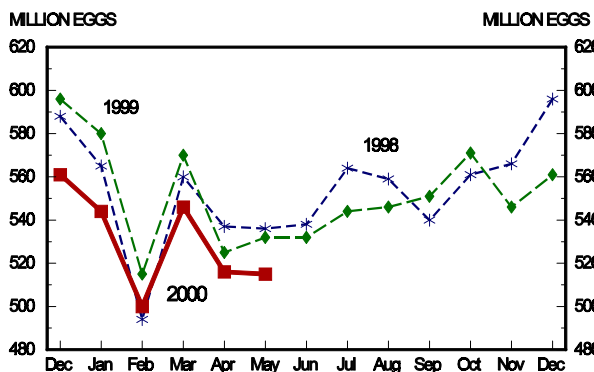
## CALIFORNIA EGG PRODUCTION

California's egg production during May totaled 515 million, slightly less than last month and 17.0 million less than last May. The average number of layers during the month totaled 23.7 million, fractionally below last month and 5 percent below May 1999. Eggs per 100 layers during the month were 2,170 compared to 2,152 last month and 2,120 in May 1999.

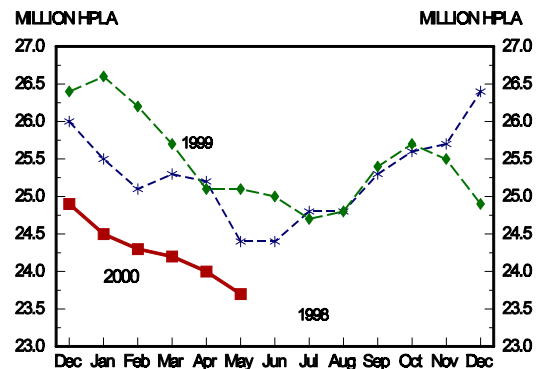
## U.S. MAY EGG PRODUCTION

U.S. egg production totaled 7.11 billion during May 2000, up 2 percent from the 6.94 billion produced in 1999. Production included 5.97 billion table eggs and 1.14 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.07 billion were broiler-type and 68.0 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during May 2000 averaged 327 million, up 2 percent from the total average number of layers during May 1999. May egg production per 100 layers was 2,176 eggs, up slightly from the 2,166 eggs in May 1999. All layers in the U.S. on June 1, 2000 totaled 325 million, up 2 percent from a year ago. The 325 million layers consisted of 266 million layers producing table or commercial type eggs, 56.8 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.83 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on June 1, 2000 averaged 69.4 eggs per 100 layers, down 1 percent from the 69.8 of a year ago.

EGG PRODUCTION, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER, 1998-2000



AVERAGE NUMBER OF HPLA, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER, 1998-2000



## LAYER NUMBERS AND EGG PRODUCTION DURING MAY, FORCED MOLTING AS OF JUNE 1

State	Average Number of Layers on Hand		Eggs Per 100 Layers		Total Egg Production		Layers Being Molted		Layers With Molt Completed	
	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000
	Thousands		Number		Millions		Percent			
Alabama	10,641	10,327	1,973	1,917	210	198	5.0	5.0	12.0	5.5
Arkansas	14,863	15,496	1,951	1,968	290	305	1.5	2.5	11.0	6.0
California	25,098	23,729	2,120	2,170	532	515	10.5	11.0	41.0	34.0
Georgia	20,858	20,408	2,033	2,058	424	420	5.5	9.0	15.5	13.5
Indiana	21,907	22,947	2,237	2,284	490	524	3.0	3.0	31.0	29.5
Iowa	25,627	27,847	2,244	2,341	575	652	4.0	4.5	28.0	24.5
North Carolina	11,258	11,141	1,936	1,885	218	210	3.5	2.0	7.5	8.0
Ohio	30,887	31,389	2,360	2,227	729	699	3.5	5.5	12.5	15.0
Pennsylvania	22,449	22,552	2,285	2,306	513	520	7.5	6.5	17.0	18.5
Texas	17,333	17,208	2,100	2,144	364	369	7.0	6.0	22.0	18.0
United States	320,498	326,554	2,166	2,176	6,941	7,107	5.2	5.8	21.9	20.4

### U.S. BROILER HATCH

The May 2000 hatch of broiler-type chicks, at 775 million, was up 1 percent from May of the previous year. Eggs in incubators totaled 639 million on June 1, 2000, up slightly from a year earlier.

Leading breeders placed 7.44 million broiler-type pullet chicks for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during May 2000. This was down 4 percent from May 1999.

#### BROILER-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, MAY

State	1999	2000	<u>2000</u> 1999
	Thousands		Percent
Alabama	100,070	105,961	106
Arkansas	111,701	111,715	100
Delaware	16,475	15,578	95
Florida	9,734	10,143	104
Georgia	114,469	114,878	100
Maryland	32,551	31,456	97
Mississippi	66,416	67,683	102
North Carolina	66,160	67,874	103
Pennsylvania	13,100	13,390	102
South Carolina	17,015	16,588	97
Texas	50,053	55,293	110
Virginia	24,992	24,922	100
California, Tennessee, and West Virginia	42,274	42,336	100
Other States 1/	101,412	97,364	96
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>766,422</b>	<b>775,181</b>	<b>101</b>

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### U.S. EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED

Egg-type chicks hatched during May totaled 40.9 million, up slightly from May 1999. Eggs in incubators totaled 33.4 million on June 1, 2000, down 11 percent from a year ago.

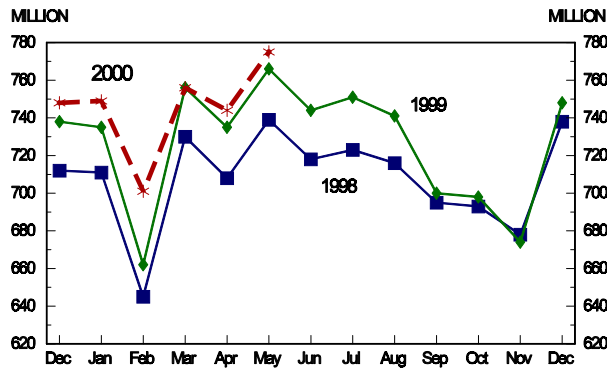
Domestic placements of egg-type pullet chicks for future hatchery supply flocks by leading breeders totaled 343 thousand during May 2000. This was up 21 percent from May 1999.

#### EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, MAY

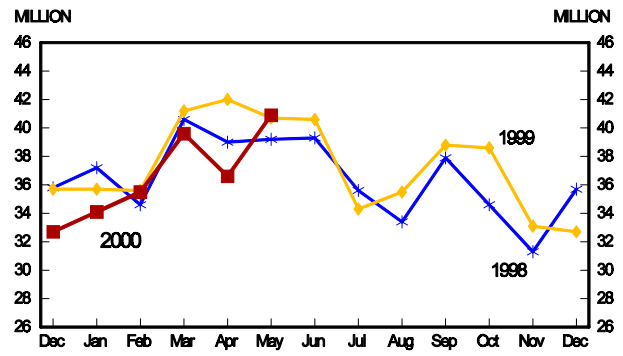
State	1999	2000	<u>2000</u> 1999
	Thousands		Percent
Arkansas	1,013	873	86
Florida	996	1,110	111
Georgia	2,319	1,884	81
Indiana	8,111	6,124	76
Iowa	5,567	6,822	123
Kansas	348	375	108
Minnesota	1,856	1,799	97
Missouri	403	403	100
Pennsylvania	5,088	5,455	107
Other States 1/	15,025	16,034	107
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>40,726</b>	<b>40,879</b>	<b>100</b>

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**BROILER CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES  
JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 1998-2000**



**EGG-TYPE CHICKS HATCHED, UNITED STATES  
JANUARY THROUGH DECEMBER, 1998-2000**



### EGGS IN INCUBATORS, JUNE 1

Geographic Division	Broiler-Type			Egg-Type		
	1999	2000	2000/1999	1999	2000	2000/1999
	Thousands		Percent	Thousands		Percent
North Atlantic	11,726	11,766	100	7,113	5,591	79
East No. Central	9,157	8,134	89	9,415	7,867	84
West No. Central	22,651	20,772	92	7,451	7,649	103
South Atlantic	241,305	239,918	99	4,153	3,053	74
South Central	326,915	333,139	102	4,284	4,276	100
West	26,202	25,142	96	5,137	5,008	97
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>637,956</b>	<b>638,871</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>37,553</b>	<b>33,444</b>	<b>89</b>

**QUARTERLY LAYERS AND EGG PRODUCTION -- MARCH THROUGH MAY**

Geographic Division	Average Number of Layers on Hand:			Total Eggs Produced		
	1999	2000	2000/1999	1999	2000	2000/1999
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Alabama	10,653	10,498	99	625	603	96
Arkansas	15,071	15,611	104	869	907	104
California	25,312	23,982	95	1,627	1,577	97
Georgia	20,999	20,908	100	1,298	1,313	101
Indiana	21,996	22,973	104	1,457	1,559	107
Iowa	25,230	27,721	110	1,699	1,900	112
North Carolina	11,465	11,162	97	661	627	95
Ohio	30,840	31,508	102	2,108	2,065	98
Pennsylvania	22,610	23,066	102	1,551	1,580	102
Texas	17,431	17,219	99	1,097	1,108	101
UNITED STATES	321,590	328,908	102	20,777	21,355	103

**POULTRY AND EGG PRICES**

The average May prices received by California producers, when compared to April average prices, remained the same for live turkeys. Prices for market eggs decreased 12.4 cents per dozen from last month.

Nationally, the May average prices received by producers increased 0.5 cents per pound for broilers and 0.6 cents per pound for live turkeys. Prices for market eggs decreased 16.3 cents per dozen.

**POULTRY AND EGG AVERAGE PRICES  
RECEIVED BY PRODUCERS, COMPARISONS 1/**

Commodity	Unit	May 15, 1999	Apr. 15, 2000	May 15, 2000
		Cents		
<b>CALIFORNIA</b>				
Chickens-Broilers <u>2/</u>	Lb.	---	---	---
Market Eggs <u>3/</u>	Doz.	31.4	43.8	31.4
Turkeys	Lb.	41.0	48.0	48.0
<b>UNITED STATES</b>				
Chickens-Broilers	Lb.	38.0	36.5	37.0
Market Eggs <u>3/</u>	Doz.	35.2	47.7	31.4
Turkeys	Lb.	39.4	39.8	40.4

- 1/ The estimated prices shown in the table represent composite average prices received by producers. They are averages for all grades, classes and methods of sale of each commodity for the State and U.S. as a whole.
- 2/ California's broiler prices published annually effective May 1999.
- 3/ Average for market (table) eggs including eggs sold retail by producers.

**U.S. TURKEY HATCHERY PRODUCTION**

Turkey eggs in incubators on June 1, 2000 in the United States totaled 32.8 million, up slightly from June 1 a year ago. Eggs in incubators were up 4 percent from the May 1 total of 31.4 million. Regional changes from the previous year were as follows: East North Central, down 2 percent; West North Central, down 3 percent; North and South Atlantic, up 3 percent; South Central, unchanged; and West, up 7 percent.

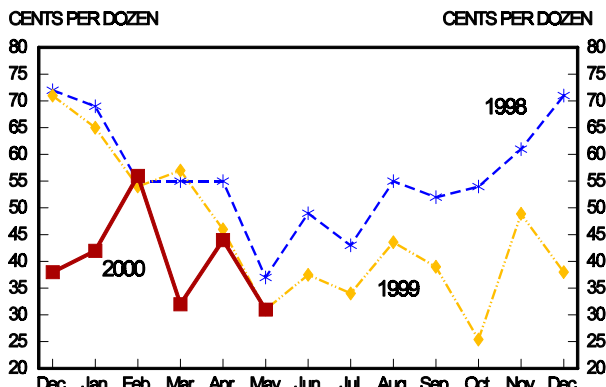
The 26.0 million poults placed during May 2000 in the United States were down slightly from the number placed during the same month a year ago. Placements were up 4 percent from the April total of 24.9 million. Regional changes from the previous year were as follows: East North Central, up 7 percent; West North Central, down 7 percent; North and South Atlantic, up 9 percent; South Central, up 1 percent; and West, down 14 percent.

**ALL TURKEYS**

Geographic Division	Eggs in Incubators June 1		2000 1999	Poults Placed during May 1/		2000 1999
	1999	2000		1999	2000	
	Thousands	Thousands	Pct.	Thousands	Thousands	Pct.
E N Central	5,034	4,925	98	3,359	3,604	107
W N Central	11,307	10,959	97	8,840	8,233	93
N&S Atlantic	9,571	9,887	103	7,763	8,491	109
S Central	3,275	3,284	100	2,838	2,857	101
West	3,514	3,749	107	3,285	2,814	86
U.S.	32,701	32,804	100	26,085	25,999	100

1/ Excludes exported poults.

**MARKET EGG PRICES, CALIFORNIA  
DECEMBER THROUGH DECEMBER, 1998-2000**



**TURKEY POULT PLACEMENTS WITHIN THE UNITED STATES 1/**

Month	Total All Breeds		99-00 98-99	Cumulative Total		99-00 98-99
	1998-99	1999-00		1998-99	1999-00	
	Thousands	Thousands	Percent	Thousands	Thousands	Percent
Sept.	21,124	21,794	103	21,124	21,794	103
Oct.	22,749	22,313	98	43,873	44,107	101
Nov.	22,167	23,379	105	66,040	67,486	102
Dec.	24,985	25,518	102	91,025	93,004	102
Jan.	24,590	24,676	100	115,615	117,680	102
Feb.	23,722	24,197	102	139,337	141,877	102
Mar.	25,917	25,741	99	165,254	167,618	101
Apr.	26,817	24,932	93	192,071	192,550	100
May	26,085	25,999	100	218,156	218,549	100
June	25,621			243,777		
July	26,755			270,532		
Aug.	24,755			295,287		

1/ Excludes exported poults.

**PACIFIC COAST AND UNITED STATES COLD STORAGE**

Commodity	Unit	May 1999	April 2000 <u>a/</u>	May 2000	<u>May 2000</u> May 1999	<u>May 2000</u> Apr. 2000
		Thousands			Percent	
<b>PACIFIC COAST</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	77,775	48,180	61,441	79	128
Chickens	Lbs.	52,189	54,982	53,312	102	97
Ducks	Lbs.	112	159	219	196	138
Total Frozen Poultry	Lbs.	130,076	103,321	114,972	88	111
<b>UNITED STATES</b>						
Turkeys	Lbs.	494,277	413,299	476,868	96	115
Chickens	Lbs.	813,733	849,355	824,806	101	97
Ducks	Lbs.	5,447	4,277	4,693	86	110
Total Frozen Poultry	Lbs.	1,313,457	1,266,931	1,306,367	99	103
Eggs, Frozen	Lbs.	9,685	7,153	8,246	85	115

a/ Revised.